

NEW-YORK TRIBUNE.

The Gardner Claim—The Alleged Fraud on the Government.

We have received from M. de Cuesta the following letter on a subject that is attracting just now much of the attention of our contemporaries, to which we give place with great cheerfulness, as we trust will also give it to those who have accustomed the rumors, some of which it gives, to contradicts.

(National Intelligencer.)

WEDNESDAY, July 7, 1851.

MESSES. EDITORS:—My attention has been called to an extract from a letter to the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, published in this morning's No., at Baltimore, in which my name is mentioned in a manner which has naturally excited my surprise and indignation. I am, therefore, reluctantly obliged to ask the favor of you to publish this note.

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count of the examination of witnesses before the Grand Jury. Without stating what passed there, which I know according to the laws and usages of this country is secret, it is due to my personal character to say that the publication is inaccurate and false in every material particular.

I know nothing of the claim of Dr. Gardner. I never received any papers relating to it, or had any thing to do with the "getting up" of the same.

I have never written to the government, and have not been in Mexico since 1843. I have no reason to believe that the man was fraudulent, and have never had any interest or concern with it, if it were so.

The money I received of the indemnity was out of the claim of J. H. Mears, and was received upon a power of attorney, transmitted from Mexico to his excellency the Mexican Minister, and by him transferred to me. It was, as I understood, due to a creditor of Gardner & Mears. But I have no knowledge of the facts whatever.

I cannot bear to express my surprise at the recklessness with which the name of a private individual is thus brought before the public.

F. DE LA CUESTA.

RESCUE OF AN EDITOR FROM A WATERY GRAVE.—We have heard the particulars of an accident that came near being fatal to one of our contemporaries of the daily press of this city, Col. Wm. Schouler, senior editor of the *Atlas*, who resides this summer at Dr. Jeffries' cottage, a beautiful situation at East Boston Point, was on Monday evening returning to his residence after a walk, when he fell, owing to a sudden seizure of his skill in managing a halberd, and lay in the "oiling" near his residence.

Suddenly there was a cry of alarm at the upsetting of the boat. The Colonel was plunged head first, and, as he rose to the surface and endeavored to regain his position inside, the dory would turn over again, with the Colonel underneath—and over and over they went till the danger became so imminent that two lads, Charles and John Mears, who had been about 15 years ago both young pilots and accustomed to the dangerous deeps, proceeded to rescue the unfortunate man from his perilous situation. This they accomplished in safety, and brought him to the shore.

(Boston Post.)

DEATH FROM TOBACCO.—At Roxbury, Mass., an Irishwoman by the name of Toomey ad- ministered a quantity of tobacco, steeped in milk, to her child, as an antidote for worms. The child, which was not quite two years of age, died in less than an hour and a half.

FIRE.—On a Sunday night last, a fire occurred at Omega Community, near Omega Castle, which destroyed a Gothic building occupied as a store, show shop, printing office, &c. Loss about \$3,000. No insurance.

COMMERCIAL MATTERS.

Stocks at the Stock Exchange.—JULY 9.

\$5,100 U.S. 6s 67.—116,690 do 84

11,000 U.S. 6s 76.—116,330 do 860 do 95

3,000 Ohio 6s 70.—100,000 do 95

2,000 Kentucky 6s.—100,000 do 73

3,000 Read Mill Bds.—80,000 do 100

5,000 Erie 1st Mort.—100,000 do 100

4,000 Erie 2d Mort.—103,166 do 100

2,000 do.—102,298 do 100

6,000 Incomes.—97,211 Hartien Prefd.—100

1850.—37,525 27,365 180,929 5,000

1851.—67,882 44,145 291,174 4,053

Inc.—\$30,334 Inc. 16,777 Inc. 143,125 Dec. 971

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1851.—34,535 Dec. 16,993 Inc. 69,440

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SECOND BOARD.

\$7,000 Erie Conv.—97,166 Edge worth.—95

200 Reading.—50,561 30 Metropolitan Bk.—98

30 Long Is.—171,5 do 98

100 do.—350,171 20 Morris.—16

200 Portsmouth.—71,50 Erie.—80,84

WEDNESDAY, July 9.—P. M.

The Stock market continues quiet, and the fancies have a downward tendency. There is an indisposition to operate at any extent. Many of the leading bankers are away and there are but few outsiders in the market. The principal movement was in Harten and Norwich. The latter shows a further improvement. Canton has also recovered somewhat from the fall of yesterday. In Government and State Stocks the market shows no marked change.

The Exchange market is steady but inactive. Sterling is 104 101. French 5,081 45 07.

In Freight there is a moderate business and the quotations are without change. We notice engagements of 25,000 or 30,000 bushels Corn and Wheat at 6d. 2,000 or 3,000 bushels Flour, 1s 9d. Dead-weight, 15c 17d. 6d. Cotton, 5-32do. To London, 2,000 or 3,000 bushels Flour, 2s. To Glasgow some Flour at 2s 3d. and Wheat at 5d. Within a few days there have been, also, engagements not before reported: To London, 400 lbs Beef at 6d. P 304 3d. 40 tons Measurement Goods, 30s. and \$150,000 Specie, 3-16 1/2 cwt. To Liverpool, 500cs Tallow, 50cs Lard and 25cs Butter, 15c 6d. 200 bushels Cheese, 20s. 500 bushels Resin, 6s. A B Ark was also taken up to load 2,400 bushels Naval Stores at 2s 9d for Tar and 2s 6d for Resin. A Norw. bark took a cargo Naval Stores for Newcastle, Eng., at 2s 3d from here; another engaged a cargo for Liverpool at 2s 6d, to load at Wilmington, N. C., and an American a cargo of Flour, from the port for Cork, at 2s 6d. To Havre, the packed flour at 1s 7d per cent for Cotton, 1s 10d. 8s 4d for Ashes, and Flour on private terms. A brig for Malaga and Cadiz engaged a cargo of light Pipe Staves at 6s.

In Port, yesterday— Barks.....102
Schooners.....22 Brigs.....153
Ships.....95 Schooners.....208
Total.....580

There is more money offering on call today at 6s 7d per cent and some loans are making at 5s 5d per cent. First class paper goes at 6s 6d per cent. The Banks are discounting nearly the amount of their offerings.

The bids for the Wilmington and Manchester Railroad Bonds will be opened to-morrow (Thursday) at the office of Messrs. Winslow, Lauer & Co., 52 Wall-st. A large number of bids have been received, many of them being from Southern capitalists.

The Senate, it will be seen, passed this morning the bill relieving the Central line of roads through this State from the payment of Marsh tolls.

The exports of Flour, Grain, and Provisions, from this port during the first eight days in this month show a very gratifying increase over the same period last year. The shipments have been as follows:

1851. 1850.

Wheat Flour.....bbls. 22,639 13,323

Wheat.....bush. 30,484 24,000

Corn.....bush. 91,145 24,000

Beef.....bush. 96 274

Pork.....bush. 1,443 193

Lard.....bush. 193

The market is nearly bare of Mexican Land Warrants, and the demand is good at \$155 each. In relation to the new Warrants the Republic says:

"We are authorized to state that application for bonds for land services in the war of 1812, which were filed or received in the Pension Office from the third to the seventh day of December, 1850, are now

in a course of examination, to also are claims for services in the Florida and other Indian wars, which were filed on the 3d of November to the 6th of December last, so that claims for services in these several wars are nearly in the same state of forwardness. The application by the officers in the late war with Mexico are some what in arrear in consequence of the misapprehension of a clerk by whom they were registered, but they will be brought up for examination in the course of a few days."

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The London Packet took \$100,000 in silver and \$60,000 in gold. The steamer at Boston took about \$700,000 in gold, being a portion of the Mexican indemnity.

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